

SOLID WASTE/AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE
Summary
Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill Tour
September 21, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present: Don Reese-Chair, Greg David-Vice Chair and John Kannard-Secretary

Member Excused: Carlton Zentner and Gregory Torres

Staff: Sharon Ehrhardt (Program Assistant)

Waste Management: Don Smith, Manager

Guests Present: Rick Schultz, Ed Morse, Donald Reinders, Lee Schmeckpeper, Russell Kutz, Norman Willing, Steve Kirchenberg, Curt Kirchenberg, JoAnn Guetzlaff, Diana Hrobsky, Dick David, Kevin Emrath, and Daryl Hartwig

1. Call to Order

No meeting was called to order or business conducted on September 21, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at the Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill, N6756 Waldmann Lane, Watertown, WI 53094

2. Roll Call (Establish a Quorum)

Committee members present were Don Reese, John Kannard and Greg David. Excused were Carlton Zentner and Gregory Torres. Quorum was met.

3. Certification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law

Sharon stated that the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committee complied with open meetings law requirements.

4. Review of Agenda

None

5. Waste Management Deer Track Park Landfill Tour

The first hour of the tour was in the landfill office with Don Smith outlining the operations of a landfill. Don Reese explained to the guests how host fees from the landfill are applied to the Solid Waste/Air Quality Committees budget for Clean Sweep programs and education. Don Smith also brought out samples of liners and explained how the liners were welded together and which liners were used for the base and sides of the new cell. Because of rain we were not able to see the liner installed. Don also took the time to answer any questions from the group.

The next two hours were on the landfill site and at the power plant. Don Smith explained where the new cell was being created. He also pointed out the working cells and the closed cells. We were able to watch the dumping of waste and the compacting and grading of the waste. Don explained the operation of the equipment used and pointed out the gas pipes and wells all over the landfill site. It was raining very hard by the time we reached the power plant so Don Smith had his plant operator come on to the bus and explain the operation and how the generators work. They opened the overhead doors so we could see the generators. Don Smith answered Greg David's questions about the efficiency of the generators and if the heat that was generated could be used

for other resources. Because of the location of the plant, at this time it is not cost effective to pipe the heat to another facility for heating options. The plant produces enough energy to supply six thousand homes with electricity. The energy plant uses the methane gases from the landfill site to produce electricity. The tour ended after the energy plant tour.

6. Adjourn

Tour ended at 11:50 a.m.